

FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (REV. 12-2004)		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER XA-10231	
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/520182	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/008709	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 9 July 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 10 July 2002	
TITLE OF INVENTION IMPACT ABSORBING TYPE STEERING COLUMN APPARATUS FOR AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US SATO, Kenji and SAWADA, Naoki			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409). 12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210). 			
Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 22. <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail Label No. 23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: 			
24 sheets formal drawings (Figs. 1-24) Copy of Form PCT/IB/308		ASSIGNEE INFORMATION Assignee: NSK Ltd.	

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24. The following fees are submitted:				Applicant use	Office use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee \$300.00				\$300.00	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee \$200.00				\$200.00	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee \$500.00				\$500.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1000.00				\$1,000.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole)		RATE	
- 100 =	/50 =			x \$250.00	\$0.00
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).					
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	21 - 20 =	1	x \$50.00	\$50.00	
Independent claims	3 - 3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>				+ \$360.00	\$0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$1,050.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.					
				SUBTOTAL =	\$1,050.00
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).					
				TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =	\$1,050.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property + \$40.00					
				TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =	\$1,090.00
				Amount to be refunded:	\$
				Amount to be charged:	\$
<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ \$1,090.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is _____.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1165. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p>					
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.					
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Customer No. 181					
 Mitchell W. Shapiro NAME 31,568 January 5, 2005 REGISTRATION NUMBER					